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10,000 S. F. CITIZENS HEAR STRIKERS SIDE

Spain Militia Stop Fascist Madrid Drive

Foreign Anti-Fascist Legion Aids Recapture Of Towns; Believe Madrid Safe

MADRID—Putting their slogan: "They Shall Not Pass!" into action, government militiamen have inflicted smashing defeats to the Fascist besiegers of the Spanish capital, trapping 1000 Fascist storm troops in the western part of the city.

People of Spain-To Us in Cal.

The heroic defense of world peace and Spanish democracy by the people of Spain will be brought to California by a delegation from the People's Front Government of Spain—to San Francisco next Sunday, November 15th, 2 p.m., Dreamland Auditorium—to Los Angeles next Tuesday, November 17th, 8 p.m., at Shrine Auditorium.

The delegation will speak in Oakland at the Civic Auditorium on Sunday, November 15th, 8 p.m. Tickets are available for this meeting at Sherman & Clay's and at the Sather Gate Book Store in the East Bay.

Packed house are expected at both meetings.

The delegation is composed of Marcelino Domingo, former cabinet minister and President of the Left Republican Party of Spain; Isabel de Palencia, artist and (Continued on Page 2, Col. 8)

Non-Partisan League on FLP

WASHINGTON—A three day conference of leaders of the Labor Non-Partisan League, the first since the elections, ended with definite signs that the League is to be continued not only to advance labor legislation, but also as a possible nucleus of a Farmer-Labor Party.

Looking ahead to the 1938 and 1940 election campaigns, the League announced increased cooperation with the Minnesota Farmer-Labor Party, the Progressive Party in Wisconsin, and other political parties independent of the Republican and Democratic parties.

LOS ANGELES—Upton Sinclair, founder and leader of the Epic Production-for-Use Movement, who lead the spectacular 1934 campaign as Democratic candidate for Governor of California, has called on his followers to leave the Democratic party and build a "people's movement... to turn out the old line politicians and be prepared to elect a people's governor and legislature on a Production-for-Use program two years from now."

Sinclair does not state definitely that he is for a Farmer-Labor party, but he speaks favorably of the program of the Farmer-Labor party of Minnesota, and stresses "building and preserving a state organization independent of the Democratic party machine." He proposes a federation of Production-for-Use groups.

Writing in the Epic News of (Continued on Page 2, Col. 4)

FUTURE OF AFL AT STAKE IN TAMPA MEET

Unity of Organized Labor is Issue

SAN FRANCISCO—John O'Connell, delegate from the Central Labor Council, and Teamsters' delegate McLaughlin left Tuesday night for the Tampa AFL convention. Other San Francisco delegates include Joseph Marshall, Laborers; Miller, Elevator Constructors; Cowan, Culinary Crafts; Haggerty, Machinists.

Unity at Stake
WASHINGTON—The 56th annual convention of the AFL, whose decisions will be the most important of any AFL convention yet held—opens in Tampa Monday. The unity of the organized labor movement is at stake.

The future of the AFL rests in the lap of the Tampa convention. With negotiations between the C.I.O. and AFL Executive Council officials definitely off because of William Green's refusal to consider reinstatement (Continued on Page 2, Col. 8)

PEDRO SHIPYARD STRIKE BEGINS

SAN PEDRO—Likelihood of he Shipwright's Union strike seemed a certainty here November 11 after 500 members had begun a strike vote in pressing their demands for wage increases and union recognition.

The strike is expected to affect only the plants of the Los Angeles shipbuilding and Dry Dock Corporation and the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation, although it is reported that officials of the Craig Shipyards at Long Beach, which is said to be with few union members in its personnel, had been approached by union heads concerning the workers' basic demands.

The strike was called by the union in protest against failure to

shipyard companies to meet the workers' long pending demands, which are a basic wage scale of \$1.02 an hour in place of the 89 cents at present; double-time for overtime and recognition of the union as a collective bargaining agent.

Fascists Admit Beating
General Queipo de Llano, Fascist commander, said the rebels had been ordered to make no further attempt to capture Madrid "until our present positions have been consolidated."

Government reports indicated the Fascists are being given little opportunity to consolidate positions close to Madrid.

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10,000 Cal. Vote For Browder

Although returns were still incomplete, notably from the heavily populated Alameda county, estimates of the Communist vote in California included upwards of 10,000 for the presidential ticket of Earl Browder and James W. Ford, and 25-30,000 total for the 12 Communist candidates for Congress.

Returns from Tulare County gave 58 votes for Browder; from Merced County, 30 votes for Browder; 220 for Carl B. Patterson, candidate in 9th Congressional District; Stanislaus County, 78 for Browder; 322 for Patterson.

Browder's incomplete state vote tabulated thus far is 8689. Total of votes cast for Congressional candidates, incomplete returns, is 21,538.

In the last issue of the Western Worker, a typographical error gave Emil Freed, C. P. candidate in the 57th Assembly District, Los Angeles, only 278 votes. This should have read 2078 votes.

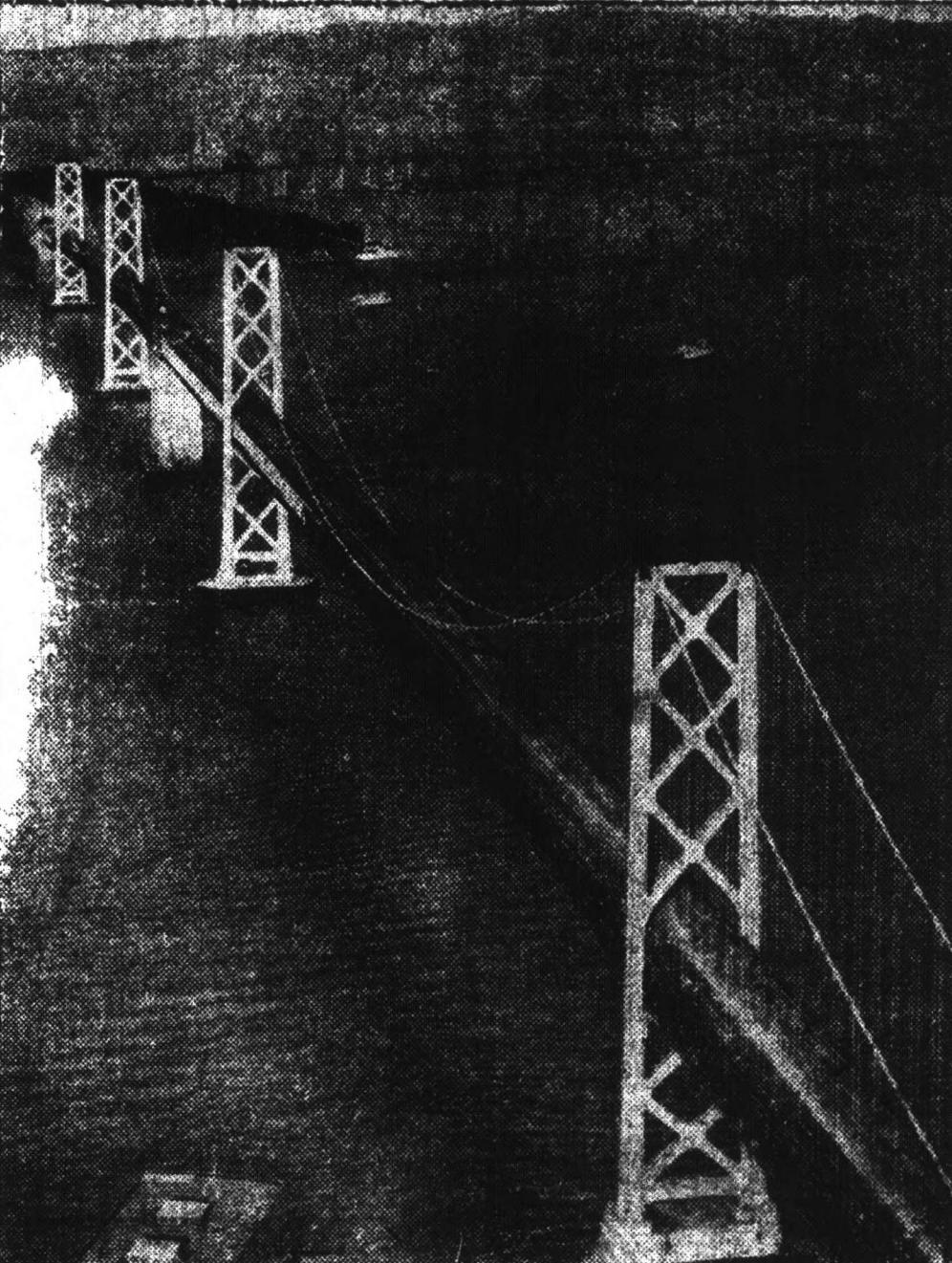
CANNERY STRIKE VOTE FAILS

SAN PEDRO—The strike vote of the Cannery Workers' Union here November 10 failed to win a necessary majority when less than a third of the union members cast ballots.

TO THE MEMORY OF THE 23 WHO DIED IN BUILDING THE BRIDGE

AS SAN FRANCISCO celebrates the completion of a great achievement—the opening of the Bay Bridge, let us not forget the memory of those 23 workers on the bridge who died in the course of its construction.

Let us not forget that they died victims of a system which



sacrifices the lives of workers on the altar of greed for profits, for these 23 men died due to lack of safety nets and other proper protection.

The 23 were:
LOUIS R. KNIGHT, 24, 1004 Eighteenth street, Oakland; rigger; killed November 25, 1933.

WILLIAM H. MOROTZKE, 1068 Seventy-first avenue, Oakland; carpenter; December 8, 1933.

E. S. HILL, calker; December 10, 1933.

LLOYD H. EVANS, 40, 391 Valencia street, San Francisco; diver; December 14, 1933.

HAROLD SCHWARTZ, 22, 2218 107th avenue, Oakland; construction worker; April 21, 1934.

GEORGE J. WEIKERT, 33, 1030 Larkin street, San Francisco; bridgeman; September 18, 1934.

DONALD MCALEACHERN, 21, 440 Hyde street, San Francisco; bridgeman; October 25, 1934.

BERNARD HAUFFMAN, 31, 1273 Golden Gate avenue, San Francisco; electrician's helper; November 12, 1934.

R. L. POOLE, 34, 1159 Hyde street, San Francisco; rigger; December 5, 1934.

ADOLPH SIVERSTEIN, 51, 975 Moultrie street, San Francisco; carpenter; January 21, 1935.

CHRISTY THOMPSON, 47, 506 Oak street, San Francisco; carpenter; March 6, 1935.

HENRY DENNINGTON, 44, 693 Eighteenth street, Oakland; bridgeman; June 5, 1935.

ARTHUR LAMOREAUX, 30, 1042 Forty-fifth street, Oakland; bridgeman; June 17, 1935.

MICHAEL EDWARD MARKY, 31, 1351 Ellis street, San Francisco; bridgeman; July 2, 1935.

WALTER VANDENBURG, 39, 1161 Rhode Island street, San Francisco; bridgeman; September 16, 1935.

MARION TAVARES, 40, 837 Camelia street, Berkeley; concrete laborer; November 6, 1935.

ED CORRELL, 31, 951 O'Farrell street, San Francisco; foreman painter; December 5, 1935.

PAUL SHELTON, 26, 350 Grove street, San Francisco; bridgeman; March 28, 1936.

CHARLES BAZZILL, 39, 391 Valencia street, San Francisco; bridgeman; April 9, 1936.

ROY C. BISHOP, 35, 856 Fifty-eighth avenue, Oakland; rigger; April 21, 1936.

PAUL GURLEY, 24, 632 Twenty-fifth avenue, San Francisco; bridgeman; June 3, 1936.

GEORGE ZINE, 40, 325 Capistrano Way, San Francisco; carpenter; June 7, 1936.

W. AGUADO, 22, 241 Eighth street, San Francisco, July 10, 1936.

"All Men Equal," But Navy Chiefs Don't Believe It

SAN FRANCISCO—"All men are created equal," says the Declaration of Independence, but it doesn't apply in the navy.

At the Navy Ball, held at the Fairmont Hotel Thursday night in connection with the Bay Bridge opening there was a special ball for the officers, while enlisted men were given a separate dance at Dreamland; Negro enlisted men given another separate and jim-crow dance at Garibaldi Hall, and chief petty officers a separate dinner at the Sir Francis Drake.

The legislative committee of the State Federation will meet early next month to adopt officially the program it will sponsor when the legislature convenes the first of the year.

STEEL CO. MEN DON'T PASSHIP YARD PICKETS

6000 in 12 Crafts Solid at Bethlehem

SAN FRANCISCO.—The three big shipbuilding plants of the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corp. remain paralyzed by the strike of 6000 men in 12 crafts.

Warehousemen in the Bethlehem Steel plant, adjacent to the Union Iron Works (one of the struck shipyards), refused to pass through the strikers' picket lines.

Workers in the Columbia Steel Co. plant, nearby, also refused to pass through picket lines on the way to work.

Independent union members are reported by the joint strike committee to have joined the various AFL unions.

The strike began last week when members of the 12 unions walked out to compel enforcement of agreements by the company. The Union Iron Works, the Hunters Point drydock and the Alameda Bethlehem yards were closed.

Two U.S. Navy destroyers are tied up in the Union plant.

L.A. BLOCKADE RULED ILLEGAL

LOS ANGELES—The infamous jobless blockade set up here was declared illegal here last Tuesday by County Attorney Everett W. Mattoon, in a ruling to Sheriff Eugene W. Biscailuz.

Mattoon ruled L. A. County was not authorized by law to cooperate with other counties in setting up such a blockade against unemployed and transient workers, that the sheriff has no right to make arrests outside the county without warrants and that county supervisors have no authority to vote funds for such a purpose.

Under Biscailuz' plan, worked out with Police Chief "Peanut Hitler" Davis of Los Angeles, 10 Southern California counties would appoint a special squad of deputies to keep unemployed and transient workers out of Southern California, those escaping the blockade to be sentenced to forced labor camps.

Biscailuz immediately announced he would seek authority for the blockade from the state legislature.

THE MARINE STRIKE is entering its third week. With growing impatience the workers are looking for some decisive action by the Administration which has just received a mandate from the people, to utilize its power on behalf of the rights of labor. But a strange silence emanates from Washington; the only noise that is made comes from President Roosevelt's representatives and other Administration officials, and all of them are statements directed AGAINST THE MARITIME STRIKE AND THE UNIONS, pious "hopes" that a settlement will be reached.

The latest such statements, following Assistant Secretary of Labor McGrady's pronouncements against the strike, came from Secretary of Labor Perkins herself, in which she attacked the East Coast strike as unauthorized and ineffective, thus lining up with the I. S. U. officials that are guilty of strikebreaking attacks on the I. S. U. rank and file membership.

Another such move against the strike is the court order of a Los Angeles Federal Judge for the removal of perishable cargo in San Pedro harbor. Such a court order is a dangerous precedent to illegalize and break strikes, by placing the power in the hands of the courts to say whether unions shall or shall not strike.

The Joint Policy Committee of the maritime unions of the Pacific Coast had favored removing perishable cargo from the ships, and the Joint Strike Committees in San Francisco and Seattle had voted favorably on this recommendation. But in the face of Federal Court order which has all the earmarks of a shipowners strikebreaking move, the Joint Policy Committee adopted a proposal by Harry Bridges that no further consideration be given to the question of perishable cargo until the court order was withdrawn. This was the only proper answer to an injunction which threatens the very right to strike.

It is high time that the Federal Government use the powers that it has to exert pressure on the shipowners to settle the strike. Up to now, as Bridges pointed out at the Dreamland Auditorium mass meeting Wednesday night, all the intervention of the government and the Maritime Commission has been on the side of the shipowners against the unions. Organized Labor and all friends of Labor must demand that the government withhold all ship subsidies from the shipowners until they negotiate a settlement guaranteeing the rights of the unions.

Demand that President Roosevelt act to carry out the man-

Strike to Keep on Until Basic Demands Met

Bridges, Lundberg, Other Union Leaders Tell People of Fundamental Issues

SAN FRANCISCO—The West Coast maritime joint policy committee on Wednesday declared against any further consideration of the perishable cargo question until the Federal Court order in San Pedro, directing the U. S. Marshal to unload the cargo with deputies, is withdrawn.

The policy committee's action was on motion of Harry Bridges. It was given as an answer to the injunction move which in effect is a threat at the right to strike.

Ten thousand citizens of the San Francisco area, among whom were thousands of trade unionists, packed Dreamland Auditorium last Wednesday night to hear the maritime strikers' side of the struggle.

They cheered wildly when Harry Bridges, Pacific Coast I. L. A. district president, declared that "We'll continue the strike until our fundamental demands have been granted."

The public mass meeting was called by the Joint Maritime Strike Committee, of San Francisco.

John F. Shelley, vice-president of the San Francisco Central Labor Council, as chairman, declared that "Labor in the U. S. is today on the threshold of a new era. It has an opportunity to obtain some of the things it has long cherished."

Shelley described the thousands of small wires tying together the Bay Bridge cables as symbolic of the unity of labor.

The ovation to Bridges was tremendous, most of the audience (Continued on Page 2, Col. 3)

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DEMAND PRES. ROOSEVELT ACT!

EDITORIAL

THE MARINE STRIKE is entering its third week. With growing impatience the workers are looking for some decisive action by the Administration which has just received a mandate from the people, to utilize its power on behalf of the rights of labor. But a strange silence emanates from Washington; the only noise that is made comes from President Roosevelt's representatives and other Administration officials, and all of them are statements directed AGAINST THE MARITIME STRIKE AND THE UNIONS, pious "hopes" that a settlement will be reached, but no decisive action that would make a satisfactory settlement possible.

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LABOR AND POLITICS

By John Broman

Taxing the rich, who can afford to pay, is becoming a popular demand in California. Repeal of the sales tax, which hits the working people, and jacking up the state income tax, are two proposals the State Federation of Labor will try to get passed by the coming legislature, it is reported.

Still another indication is the nearly a million votes cast in the state for Proposition 22 on November 3rd, even though the chain store tax proposition did not carry.

San Francisco working people showed their strong sympathy for taxing the rich when they gave a substantial majority to Proposition 22.

TAX ON THE RICH . . .

If the working people, progressives and liberals had really understood that this was a tax on the rich, even if inadequate, Proposition 22 would undoubtedly have carried.

However, the Epics and many trade unions came out against the proposition because they mistakenly feared the tax would eventually be paid by the purchasers at chain stores. The Epic News called it a "disguised sales tax."

The Communist Party analysis pointed out this mistake on the proposition — the chain stores would not be able to pass the tax on to the customers in increased prices for commodities, because if they did, the advantage they now hold over independent stores through ability to buy large wholesale lots, would be lost.

The independents would be able to undersell the chain stores if the tax were put in to the price of commodities.

NOT SIMPLE . . .

Taxing the rich and making the rich pay, are not simple problems. The rich will try to weasel out of paying, even after laws taxing them are passed, because they don't want to pay.

The way to make the rich pay is to see that the laws when passed are rigidly enforced. And the best way to set the tax-the rich laws adopted, and enforced, is to put a Farmer-Labor Party government into office in the state of California and the nation.

And you can bet your bottom dollar that when a Farmer-Labor Party gets going in California, with a program for taxing the rich and carrying out other popular and just demands of the people it's going to get a whale of a lot of support.

Browder Led Landon . . .

Pudding Creek, California, really knows how to give reaction a dashing that Hearst and Company won't forget.

In this small Northern California town, Roosevelt won a big majority, but Landon, the Republican nominee, ran last!

Earl Browder, Communist candidate for President, received 11 votes for second place, and Landon only received 10.

And when the California Farmer-Labor Party gets going, this town will undoubtedly give its overwhelming support to a fighting, positive program against the reactionary and pro-Fascist forces.

Hearst Crawls When Chicagoans Tear Up His Papers

OAKLAND COPS' LIEUT. BURNS HIS HANDS IN HEAR GAS LECTURE

Oakland—Lieutenant Ira Reedy

of the Oakland Police Department turned his hands the other day, and it should, but probably won't be a lesson to him.

In a demonstration of tear-gas bomb technique before the Foot-hills Masonic Club, Reedy got the pin on a grenade dislodged, with painful results when the bomb exploded.

Will Reedy burn his hands again, for instance by using tear-gas bombs against waterfront workers?

Angelo Herndon to Speak in State Next Month

SAN FRANCISCO — Angelo

Herndon, who is still fighting with backing of millions against an 18-20 years' sentence to the Georgia chain gang, will be in California on a speaking tour from December 7th to 13th, the International Labor Defense announces.

The famed Negro youth leader will speak in Oakland on December 7th, in San Francisco on December 9th, and in Los Angeles.

FASCIST MURDER

PALMA, Spain—Spanish Fascist rebels arrested and murdered Heinz Kraschitzki, ex-national lieutenant of the German fleet and pacifist, who had fled to this town from Nazi Germany.

SOVIET UNION TRIUMPH TOLD AT L. A. MEET

Schneiderman Urges Maritime Strike Support

LOS ANGELES—Gathering in celebration of the 19th anniversary of the Soviet Union here November 8th, more than 1200 workers listened attentively a William Schneiderman, California State Secretary of the Communist Party, told of the achievements of the Soviet workers.

In speaking of problems confronting American workers, Schneiderman declared that if the workers on the West Coast exerted sufficient pressure on the president, Roosevelt could easily persuade the shipowners to settle the strike immediately.

Schneiderman stated that the Maritime Commission could demand that shipowners either settle the strike or lose the \$100,000,000 government subsidies.

He urged all workers to support the struggle of the maritime strikers and to popularize their cause.

Schneiderman pointed out that whether Roosevelt bows to demands from Wall Street or swings to the cause of the workers, will depend entirely upon the pressure put on him by organized labor and its friends.

In this respect he indicated the importance of popular support for the Committee for Industrial organization and the maritime strikers.

Unity Caused Soviet Victory

Recalling the world-wide drive of finance capital to crush the newly-formed workers' government, Schneiderman forcefully brought to his audience the fact that the Soviet workers had been victorious because of their militant unity.

He said that here in America the immediate task of the working class was to build a mass Farmer-Labor Party as a bulwark against the reactionary forces that would rob the American people of their democratic rights.

An outstanding event of the meeting was when the Belvedere Section of the Los Angeles Communist Party was presented with a prize banner for its work in doubling its membership by November 7th.

Organizer Christensen challenged every other section in the county again to double the membership of their sections.

For Organizing Youth

A banner was also presented to Leon Olsen, president of the John Reed Branch of the Young Communist League, for the work of this branch in securing signatures for the American Youth Act petitions and recruiting League members.

"The election campaign has taught us how to reach the masses," said Louis Rosser, when honored for recruiting 11 Y.C.L. members.

Other speakers were James Thorne, organizational secretary of the C.P. here and Jack Olsen, executive secretary of the Y.C.L.

ANTI-FASCIST STUDENTS



RUMANIAN STUDENTS are shown here being attacked and beaten by police, following an anti-Fascist demonstration last year.

A Correction

Eureka, California, Nov. 6, 1936.

Editor Western Worker:

The November 5th issue of the Western Worker carried an article which stated that Vernon D. Healy was prevented from speaking over KIEM by a mob which broke into the radio station.

This report was inaccurate. There was no mob there, but the speech was prevented by someone cutting the wires. The persons who cut the wires were undoubtedly vigilantes—most of whom are members of the Humboldt Nationals—if we are to judge by those who were at the station. As for the mob, there was never at any time more than 25 in and around the station and not more than 10 in the station itself. Those that came into the station merely stood around, as did the friends of Healy who were there.

No Violence

The vigilantes came to the station with the obvious intent of making sure that the wires had been cut and the speech stopped, and they were all recognized. But they committed no violence inside of the station. Neither Healy nor any member of his party were harmed.

This letter is not written to white-wash the person responsible for cutting the wires. Many people do not even believe that the wires were cut—but that some of the vigilantes went to the transmitting station (which is two or three miles from the broadcasting station) and simply pulled the plug, with the full knowledge of the broadcasting station. But we have no proof that what happened.

All we actually know is that Lee Raymond was introducing Healy, the station went dead and the station manager announced that the wires had been cut.

Apparent Threat

Healy and his friends stayed at the station for some time afterward waiting for the wires to be repaired. In the meantime various numbers of the Humboldt Nationals had come up to the station and some stood out on the street. They did not say anything but their presence was a very apparent threat.

Those who were with Healy at the station believe that the only thing which prevented the vigilantes from attacking Healy were the ads which the Eureka Section of the Communist Party inserted in the two daily papers—explaining that Healy had been threatened; that police protection had been asked of the Mayor and City Council and that the Communist Party would use every means at its disposal to see that any persons attempting to stop the broadcast by force would be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Mayor Ridiculous

As for the police protection—the Mayor and two plain clothes men stood across the street from the station. According to one of the local papers, the Mayor stated that the wire cutting may have been a Hallowe'en prank or that the "radicals" themselves may have cut them for the publicity. Such a charge is too ridiculous to deserve an answer and no one here believes such nonsense.

Howard Philbrick, assistant graft investigator, charged Ducayla's life had been threatened.

First Newspaper Man Delegate to L.A. Labor Council

LOS ANGELES.—Delegate Johnson of the American Newspaper Guild's local branch appeared here at the Central Labor Council, for the first time that the editorial departments of newspapers have ever been represented in an organized labor body in Los Angeles.

NEW ANTI-UNION PLAN

DETROIT—Sponsored by Henry Ford, the Future Craftsmen of America met here to plan the training of a future supply of non-union craftsmen. The plan is to break down union apprentice regulations.

All of which has brought forcibly home to the people of our body in Los Angeles.

THE LABOR MOVEMENT NEEDS THE WESTERN WORKER'S HELP

What does the Western Worker mean to trade unionists? What have they to gain by contributing to the twelve-thousand-dollar drive to publish the Western Worker for another year, with improvements?

We are urging and expecting members of trade unions to be the first to rally in this drive.

The most obvious reason is that the Western Worker has proved itself a thorough reporter of the labor movement in California. In no other paper do you find as much regular, reliable information about the struggles and current every-day activities in the labor movement in California and the West.

For many cities the coverage of labor news is more complete than that of the local official labor papers, despite the fact that the Western Worker has a larger field to cover.

Another and more important reason is that the Western Worker is more than a mere reporter. It is an authoritative spokesman and organizer of the militant and progressive forces in the labor movement. Even the worst reactionaries in the labor movement have become regular readers of the Western Worker because they recognize and fear the authority with which it speaks on trade union questions, because they know it speaks the opinions of the militant rank and file and of progressive trade union leaders who, together, are the driving force of the California labor movement today.

The existence of the Western Worker is also the best protection of the labor movement against the "Red Scare" which aims to split labor. In it the policy and tactics of Communists in trade unions are set forth clearly for all to see. It shows that Communists in trade unions have the same interests as other sincere workers in these unions; namely the protection of the right to work, the improvement of wage and working conditions and the building of the unions to make these things possible.

The growing influence of the Western Worker in the labor movement does not come by accident or magic. It comes because the Western Worker, as an organ of the Communist Party, bases itself on a policy of struggle for the unity of the working class and of alliance of the working class with other progressive forces: the farmers and small business men. In carrying this program to the political field, the Western Worker has become the primary spokesman of the forces striving that make these things possible.

So we appeal to all trade union members: join the drive in your territory! Contribute and urge your fellow members to contribute! If you are not in touch with the local committee, use this coupon:

WESTERN WORKER,
121 Haight Street,
San Francisco.

I want to see the workers' press continue to live and grow. I enclose \$_____ as a contribution to the combined annual drive of the Western Worker, Daily Worker and Sunday Worker.

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STANDING OF MEMBERSHIP DRIVE OF C.P.

Father Coughlin Is Called Judas By Mass. Politician

BOSTON.—Father Coughlin was ranked with Judas, Brutus and Benedict Arnold, by Frank L. Kane, secretary to Governor James Curley, who lost in the race for U.S. Senate to Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., Republican.

A bitter note, indicating betrayal of Curley after a political pact had been made was sent by Kane to Coughlin, "congratulating" him on his "victory" in the Massachusetts election.

San Francisco members of the Communist Party are showing the way, making it high time that other comrades in California awaken from their sleep and begin to follow their excellent lead in the Browder-Ford Membership Drive.

All comrades should look at the latest Recruiting Bulletin, set where their section stands, and use the fine suggestions for recruiting.

San Diego may be swinging into action, with five applications turned in in one week.

Sacramento turns in a promise of five more new Party members by November 12th.

Here are the steps adopted by our Sacramento Section on recruiting, which could be used in other sections as well: (1) Recruiting to be first point on every meeting agenda; (2) Each member to be given a weekly assignment to go contacting prospective members; (3) Each member to make a report to his unit on his work.

Not a word from Bakersfield and Merced came during the last week, but Monterey is coming up fast.

Where Do YOU Stand?

Here are the latest totals in the drive to double the Communist Party membership:

Section	Recruited
San Francisco	250
Los Angeles	213
East Bay	65
Bakersfield	20
Monterey	16
Meredoc	12
San Diego	12
San Bernardino	7
Sacramento	7
Contra Costa	8
Eureka	4
Santa Barbara	4
Sonoma	3
Stockton	2
Fort Bragg	1
Fresno	0
Tulare	0
Nevada	0
Arizona	0
TOTALS	635

Build the circulation of the Western Worker.

A.L.P. LEADER



DAVID DUBINSKY

Leader in the Committee for Industrial Organization, Dubinsky also took a leading role in organizing the American Labor Party in New York State, which rolled up nearly 300,000 votes to surpass all expectations. He is president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union.

FLP-ENDORSED NOMINEE WINS

Wins Re-election In Steel District

PITTSBURGH—A big stride forward for the Farmer-Labor Party was seen here in the overwhelming victory for Matthew A. Dunn over Elmer A. Bachfield, his Republican rival, in the 34th Congressional District of Western Pennsylvania.

Dunn, the "Blind News Boy" Congressman, had the endorsement of the Farmer-Labor Party in his re-election campaign in this steel district, which includes McKees Rocks, Coraopolis and Braddock, Duquesne, Homestead, and Pittsburgh.

Coalition Justified

Farmer-Labor Party leaders indicated that the coalition has so well justified itself that it undoubtedly will be continued.

"The party designation doesn't make any difference," said Abe Harris, editor of the Farmer-Labor Leader. "I believe liberals everywhere are going to come to a realization of that fact."

The Communists, although participating in the Farmer-Labor campaign for state and congressional offices, voted for the Communist presidential ticket. The Browder vote had not yet been counted.

Concentration Camps Planned For L. A. Jobless

Large F.L.P. Vote

BOSTON, Mass.—Florence Lus

The Communist Party Analyzes Results of the Elections

STATEMENT OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE, COMMUNIST PARTY

THE AMERICAN people gave a hard blow to the reactionary forces in last Tuesday's election. Despite the return to power of Roosevelt and his middle-of-the-way policy, and the presence within the Democratic Party of powerful reactionary groups, the forces advocating democracy scored a victory which is a setback to the Hearst-Liberty League-Wall Street drive toward Fascism and to all extreme reactionaries. The main task confronting the toiling masses of the country is to take advantage of the favorable outcome of elections by pressing forward aggressively for the satisfaction of their immediate economic and political demands.

The campaign and the election results clearly show the sharpening of class lines in the United States. On the one side stood the great mass of the voting population. On the other stood an unprecedented concentration of organized wealth and reaction. Never before was the political struggle so much a question of the poor and downtrodden against the rich and the oppressors. The election struggle sharpened class alignments, and the check to reaction administered by the forces of democracy will speed up the differentiation of the population along class lines.

The masses of the people still expressed their discontent and their fear of Fascism, their demands for constructive social legislative measures, and for a higher standard of living within the framework of the two-party system. The results reflected a determination on the part of the people to defeat the Landon-Knox forces at all costs. They reflected a preference for the Roosevelt ticket with the belief that through its victory the people could secure those essential things which they today desire.

THE OVERWHELMING vote for Roosevelt was primarily due to the extraordinary activities of new forces, of new movement, representing the broad masses of the people—workers, farmers, middle-class groups. On a national scale this was expressed by the increased activities of the trade unions, particularly of the C.I.O. and Labor's Non-Partisan League, by the farm organizations and by the bolt of progressives from the Republican Party. On a state scale it was expressed by such movements as the Minnesota Farmer-Labor Party, the Wisconsin Farmer-Labor Progressive Federation, the American Labor Party in New York, the Commonwealth Federation in Washington, the California Epic movement, and many others—movements that in no sense were identical with the Democratic machine, but which set as their objective the defeat of the Hearst-Liberty League combination backing Landon and Knox.

The defeat of Landon was due to a growing political and class awareness on the part of the workers and farmers and large sections of the middle class. They saw through and rejected the red-baiting campaign of Hearst and the Republican Party. They did not succumb to the unbridled demagogic of the Republicans and their stooges, Coughlin, Townsend and Lemke. They saw that the issue was progress or reaction, and they voted in overwhelming numbers against reaction, against Wall Street, for progress and for a better life for the people.

The awakening of the masses of the people, the role they are playing in the destiny of the nation, their fight for better economic conditions and more democratic rights, show that the tradition of Farmer-Labor democracy in the United States is being reborn. This people's democracy which backed Jefferson, Jackson and the Populist movements of the 90's is being revived. It is coming to life in a different setting and in a more advanced form to protect the American people, their liberties and their standards of living from the rule of decaying, reactionary capitalism and its worst products—Fascism and war. The union of farmers and workers is coming to life today not as a silent partner of the capitalist politicians, which was its role in the past. It is emerging now as an independent force, led by labor and increasingly conscious of its role as a barrier to reaction, Fascism and war.

THE PEOPLE expressed in their vote last Tuesday not primarily their satisfaction with the things Roosevelt had accomplished, but a fear of the consequences of a reactionary victory and a determination to realize their aims in a very real sense. They gave Roosevelt a people's mandate to achieve very definite objectives in the course of the next four years.

In striving for the defeat of the Landon-Knox ticket, huge masses accepted at face value those promises, both direct and implied, made by Roosevelt. They took the words of Roosevelt, in his last Madison Square Garden meeting, as a pledge. In that speech he said:

"Of course we will continue to seek to improve conditions for the workers of America—to reduce hours over long, to increase wages that spell starvation, to end the labor of children, to wipe out sweat shops. Of course we will continue every effort to end monopoly of business, to support collective bargaining... For all these we have only just begun to fight."

From this and other declarations made by President Roosevelt during his campaign, the people will expect to realize the following main aims:

HIgher WAGES, shorter hours, the right to organize and real collective bargaining.

Real social security with full protection, or jobs for the unemployed.

Protection for the farmers from eviction and foreclosures, with prices for farm products sufficient to meet the cost of production, with a satisfactory margin of profit for the farmers.

Complete equality for the Negro people, with the elimination of persecution, segregation, Jim-Crowism and lynching—the enforcement of the 13th, 14th and 15th Amendments of the United States Constitution.

A system of taxation which will take the burdens off the mass of the people, particularly the elimination of sales

WITH THE FORCES WHO FIGHT DEMOCRACY'S BATTLE IN SPAIN



AT LEFT, Hastening to join their forces for an attack on Tarazona, a Fascist base in the Huesca sector, a group of government troops plows through bad weather. At right, government troops and workers' militia throwing up heavier fortifications around Madrid.

taxes and the like, and the placing of the tax burden on those able to pay: the rich.

Protection of the people from the assault of the monopolies on their living standards.

Legislation beneficial to the women and youth of the country, giving them those guarantees of economic security and equality which for them are burning issues.

The adoption by the United States Government of such policies in the international arena as will make it an active, aggressive force for peace, cooperating with the Soviet Union and other nations striving for the maintenance of peace, against the war moves of the aggressor nations—Germany, Italy and Japan.

Definite measures to curb the powers of the Supreme Court, once and for all preventing it from nullifying or hampering the execution of social legislation beneficial to the people.

THESE are the needs and hopes that the people voted for. But these hopes cannot be realized without mass demands upon the government and independent struggles for these demands.

This must now be done without delay. Now is the time for the people to press forward and strike decisive blows at the forces of reaction.

But although the reactionaries are checked, they are by no means decisively defeated. They will exert a tremendous pressure on Roosevelt and on Congress to block measures beneficial to the people. They will use every means of terror and repression to prevent the forward movement of the masses. The Liberty Leaguers, the Hearsts, the big bankers and industrialists will do everything within their power to realize, through the Roosevelt regime, those policies which they sought to realize through a Landon-Knox victory. Within the Democratic Party itself, through the reactionary forces constituting its basis in the South, through the corrupt reactionary Democratic machine in the industrial centers (Tammany in New York, the Hague machine in New Jersey, the Kelly-Nash machine in Chicago, etc.) they will strive to defeat the people's will.

THE ONLY guarantee that the mandate of the people will be realized in life through the independent organization of the people; through the building of more powerful trade unions, particularly in the mass production industries, and through the organization of labor's forces politically in an all-inclusive farmer-labor party. Only thus will the people be able to carry forward the struggle for their aims.

In fact, unless the greatest haste is shown in building the farmer-labor movement, uniting all progressive forces, the way will be left open for the building of a reactionary, Fascist movement of the type of the Coughlin-Lemke Union Party movement which served as a cloak for Landon in this last campaign.

The organization of the people independently is the thing that at the moment will alone assure the realization of those demands expressed in the people's mandate last Tuesday. The workers must carry forward the most intensive organizing drive to build the trade unions, to establish them in the mass production industries, to carry forward the fight for their economic demands. The workers, the farmers, and progressive middle class groups must clearly formulate their legislative proposals to be submitted to the new Congress in January, to be fought for there, as well as in the various State Legislatures. The fight for the needs and desires of the people must go forward through the trade unions, through the political struggle for legislative demands.

THE ELECTION results are a mandate by the working class and the people as a whole to the American Federation of Labor soon to meet in national convention at Tampa, to the C.I.O., to Labor's Non-Partisan League, to the Farmer-Labor Party of Minnesota, to the Wisconsin Farmer-Labor Progressive Federation, to the California Epic movement, to the Washington Commonwealth Federation, to the American Labor Party, to all farm, unemployed and progressive organizations, to the Socialist and Communist parties.

The mandate is to build the independent power of the people, to take advantage of the opportunity which lies

as the revolutionary vanguard of the working class movement. In each state and locality it concretely faced the problem of the unity of the progressive forces against reaction. In those states where the movement was already taking on a definitely Farmer-Labor character, it gave support to these movements. In other states it gave support, with various qualifications, to the crystallization of progressive forces within the old parties, placing always in the forefront the central objective of defeating reaction, and the building of the Farmer-Labor Party.

It realized that in the present situation, the possibilities existed for the crystallization of a new anti-fascist people's movement that would soon find its expression in a national Farmer-Labor Party. Everywhere we furthered those measures and those movements that would help in the formation of such a Farmer-Labor Party. Therefore, the increasing influence and strength of the Communist Party cannot primarily be measured by the vote for its presidential candidates, in view of the determination of the masses to defeat Hearst-Landon reaction by concentrating upon President Roosevelt's re-election. The growing influence of the Party was unmistakably seen during the campaign in the increased vote for local candidates in a number of states, in the support and success for local Farmer-Labor Party candidates, by the many huge election meetings and in the response of large sections of the population to the appeal of the Party, after Tampa and Terre Haute, in defense of civil liberties.

In this respect the position of the Communist Party is to be sharply contrasted with that of the Socialist Party.

IN CONTRAST to the Communist Party which recognized that the fight for Socialism was inseparably connected with the fight against reaction in the 1936 elections and therefore concentrated on the defeat of the Hearst-Landon reactionaries, the Socialist Party incorrectly declared that the immediate issue in the campaign was that of Socialism versus Capitalism, thereby playing directly into the hands of the Hearst-Liberty League-Landon forces. Norman Thomas said that "the immediate demand of the Socialists is Socialism." The Socialist Party enthroned within its own party the counter-revolutionary Trotskyites and in its policies accepted to an increasing degree those disruptive, wrecking policies which are harmful to the whole labor movement, as well as to the Socialist Party itself.

The Socialist Party, by adopting a reformist and sectarian policy, failed to contribute toward the re-alignment of progressive forces and suffered disastrously as a result, as seen in the catastrophic drop in its vote. The Socialist Party weakened its relationship with the labor movement and with all of the progressive forces of the country.

The crisis now existing in the Socialist Party following the elections can only be ended when the Socialist Party rids itself of the Trotskyite disrupters, makes a united front with the Communist Party, and aids in the furthering of the people's movement against reaction, fascism and war, and in the movement for an all-inclusive Farmer-Labor Party.

AS A RESULT of its election policies, the influence of the Communist Party in the trade unions, in the ranks of the progressives, among the Farmer-Laborites is greater than ever before. We have been and will continue to be an active and growing force furthering the differentiation among the masses, advancing the movement toward a Farmer-Labor Party!

Large sections of the people realize that we have contributed in the way of unity of the broad masses of the workers, farmers and progressive groups.

After the elections the Communist Party, all its members, all its sympathizers have the task of pushing forward on every front with the objective of realizing those aims listed above. It is our task to promote the organization of all progressive forces independently, the building of the Farmer-Labor Party as a coalition of the trade unions, the farmers, the Negro people, the Communists, the Socialists and of all progressive groups.

On the trade union front it is the task of our Party to help in the organization of the unorganized, to win their demands for higher wages, for shorter hours, for the recognition of their unions, for the right of collective bargaining, and to work for a united powerful American Federation of Labor.

IT IS our task to aid in the unification of all of the best forces of the country, including the trade unions, the religious and pacifist groups, of opponents of war, in a mighty movement that will cooperate on a world scale with all of the forces of peace. A movement that will press the government toward a course of cooperation with the Soviet Union and those other nations advocating and working for peace, to pursue such policies in the creation of this peace movement as will make realizable the correct slogan of our Party: "Keep America Out of War by Keeping War Out of the World."

Our influence has been increased, our membership has grown. It is our task to build our Party, to draw into its ranks all of those honest, working class and revolutionary forces who see in our Party the most powerful force in rallying the people for their immediate needs, and in carrying them forward in the struggle for Socialism. The present economic upturn cannot and will not do away with the general crisis of capitalism. More and more the masses will come to realize that only a new social order—Socialism—can bring a full and lasting solution of their problem.

The Communist Party fully recognizes its obligations to the American working class and to the people as a whole. It will continue to fight with all its power for the progress, happiness, freedom and prosperity of the American people. It will continue with redoubled energy and strength, derived from the increased confidence of the masses, directed for the people's front, for the Farmer-Labor Party, for progress and peace, for the speeding up of the day when the American people will abolish capitalism and take the road to Socialism.

The ranks of our Party are growing. Greater numbers will now be recruited. We will carry forward the banner of Communism, the banner of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin with increased strength, with the knowledge that we have the growing confidence of the masses.

Forward under the banner of the Communist Party! Into the Farmer-Labor Party, the consolidated forces of progress against reaction! Forward under the banner of Communism—the Americanism of the Twentieth Century!

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THE Communist Party gave all its energy to the defeat of the forces of reaction, to the building of the Farmer-Labor Party, toward the strengthening of its own position

YOUR HEALTH

By F. E. BISSELL, M.D.

"Unipathic" Patent Medicine is a Secret Treatment to Be Avoided

Larkspur, Calif., Oct. 22, 1936.

DEAR DR. BISSELL: I suffer from arthritis, but hope by proper food and particularly by very frequent elimination programs to be on the road to recovery. My reason for writing you is to ask your opinion about a medicine called "Unipathic."

A. M.

Answer—The other day, I dropped in to the office of the Unipathic Company and inquired about the treatment. I found that every case is treated with a series of medicines to be taken over a period of six weeks. The contents of these medicines is kept a secret by the manufacturers, which is typical of all patent medicines.

When the manager was asked if his treatment was used by any of the large, scientific medical institutes, he admitted it is not.

The company advertises extensively in the daily press, using the "testimonial" type of advertising. Many quacks and fake-medicine manufacturers advertise in this way, but no reputable physicians do so. This form of advertising Dr. Franklin E. Bissell for patent medicines has become quite notorious. One company that was exploiting a "Cancer-cure" was carrying testimonials, several years ago, from a woman who had been "cured" and told how well she felt. As it happened, in one of the newspapers carrying this "testimonial" there appeared a notice in the obituary column to the effect that this particular woman had died of cancer! Other testimonials have no more value. There is a good reason for this. Many conditions will clear up of themselves, no matter what treatment is used, although sometimes only temporarily. The patient that gets well thinks that the particular medicine that he is taking at the time has done the trick and writes an enthusiastic testimonial to this effect, even though the medicine may not consist of more than salt and water. The manufacturers naturally do not print the letters of the vast majority of users who are not helped at all.

Because of these reasons and because, as far as I can find, no scientific, controlled tests have been made to determine whether these medicines actually do help in any disease, I advise strongly against taking such treatment, as just wasting so much money on the patent-medicine wolves.



DEAR COMRADE DR. BISSELL: Could you reply to my letter privately as to what methods are successful in preventing conception? My husband had a sterilization operation, but I became pregnant after 18 months.

Answer—Evidently, the operation was not done properly. I am legally prevented from giving you advice on this subject even through a private letter.

Nothing is left open for you under the circumstances except to depend on the advice of an honest local doctor or a Mothers' Clinic, of which there are a number in Los Angeles.

HOLLYWOOD RESUME: Hearst Is Mad At Screen Aid To Salinas

By JOHN R. CHAPLIN

HOLLYWOOD.—We told recently of the screen actors who contributed to the fund for help to families of the Salinas lettuce strikers. We told also that they were quizzed by Hearst reporters as to their motives in so doing. Sequel to the affair was that those Screen Actors Guild members who contributed were advised by Hearst executives in Los Angeles that, should they ever do anything like that again, their names would be forever barred from the Hearst press—not even being allowed in paid advertisements!

Recent suicide in Hollywood was Jack Freulich, for 18 years head of the still photo department at Universal. When Laemmle sold out to Wall Street, it was understood old employees, like Freulich, were to be kept on. A couple of months ago, he was fired. Regarding as highly important in film circles is the addition of George Browne, of the Intl. Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, as a vice-president of the American Federation of Labor. Browne heads all the unions recognized in the studios' closed shop, while a vice-president of the California State Federation of Labor, Kenneth Thompson, secretary of the Screen Actors Guild, is top man among unrecognized unions. Some foresee a move toward a movie federation, with Browne and Thompson at its head.

FILMS AT A GLANCE LIBELED LADY: Sparkles merrily in the light of four stars, Jean Harlow, Spencer Tracy, Myrna Loy, William Powell. THE LIGHT BRIGADE: Not particularly true to history, but an exciting account of events preluding the famous ride of the 600 into the Valley of Death. EAST MEETS WEST: George Arliss as a sultan who outwits the British in their colonial aspirations (could they really be fooled?).

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25th Anniversary of New Masses; Special Edition

New Masses, which since January, 1934, has been winning new friends for the revolutionary movement as a weekly magazine, will celebrate its 25th anniversary on December 15th with the biggest and most complete issue of its entire career.

The magazine's distinguished service to the revolutionary movement dates back to its foundation as the "Liberator," after which it became the monthly "Masses".

64 Pages

The anniversary edition's 64 pages will be filled with articles, stories, drawings and poems, utilizing the abilities of a record number of old and new contributors noted for their service to the revolutionary movement and the cause of free thought and free speech.

Among those who have already accepted the invitation to contribute to the anniversary issue are Lynd Ward, Art Young, Anton Refregier, Lydia Gibson, Mabel Dwight, Maurice Becker, Scott Johnson, Louis Lozowick, Gardner Rea, Sherwood Anderson, William Rose Benet, Jack Conroy, Sarah Cleghorn, Michael Gold, John Howard Lawson, Joseph Freeman, Granville Hicks, A. B. Magil, Albert Maltz, George Seldes, Kenneth Patchen, Albert Halper, Robert Dunn and Louis Untermeyer.

Last year when New Masses published its art quarterly, it sold out every copy. The anniversary issue is expected to reach a circulation of 100,000, and all readers are advised to send their orders for individual copies and bundle orders in advance to avoid a similar situation.

Address of New Masses is 31 East 27th St., New York City. Bundles may be ordered at 9 cents a copy. Group orders for individual copies to be mailed separately will be accepted at 10 cents a copy.

federal Entertainment

LOS ANGELES—Hollywood Playhouse: "The Devil Dances," satire by Benn W. Levy, directed by John Langen, opens Nov. 10 after tour.

Musart: "The Class of '29," Pacific Coast premier, opens Nov. 12.

Theater of Magic Strings (marionette), 3834 Wilshire Blvd. "Captain Kidd," Wednesday and Saturday matinees. "Petrouchka," evenings from Wednesday to Saturday.

Mayan: "It Can't Happen Here," dramatization of Sinclair Lewis' novel.

SAN FRANCISCO—Columbia: "I Can't Happen Here."

Columbia: Opening Nov. 24, "Take Your Choice," musical by Federal Music Project.

Veterans' Auditorium: Nov. 17th only, all-French program by orchestra and chorus of San Francisco Federal Music Project. Works by Berlioz, Cesar Frank and Bizet. Conductors, Ernst Bacon and Giulio Silva.

U.S. Labor to Aid Spain

NEW YORK—A provisional labor committee to raise funds for the Spanish trade union members who are defending Spain against the Fascists, was organized at a meeting here last week.

The committee includes Francis Gorman, vice-president of the United Textile Workers; Charles Zimmerman, vice-president, International Ladies Garment Workers Union; and Nathaniel Spector, manager of Millinery Workers Union, Local 24.

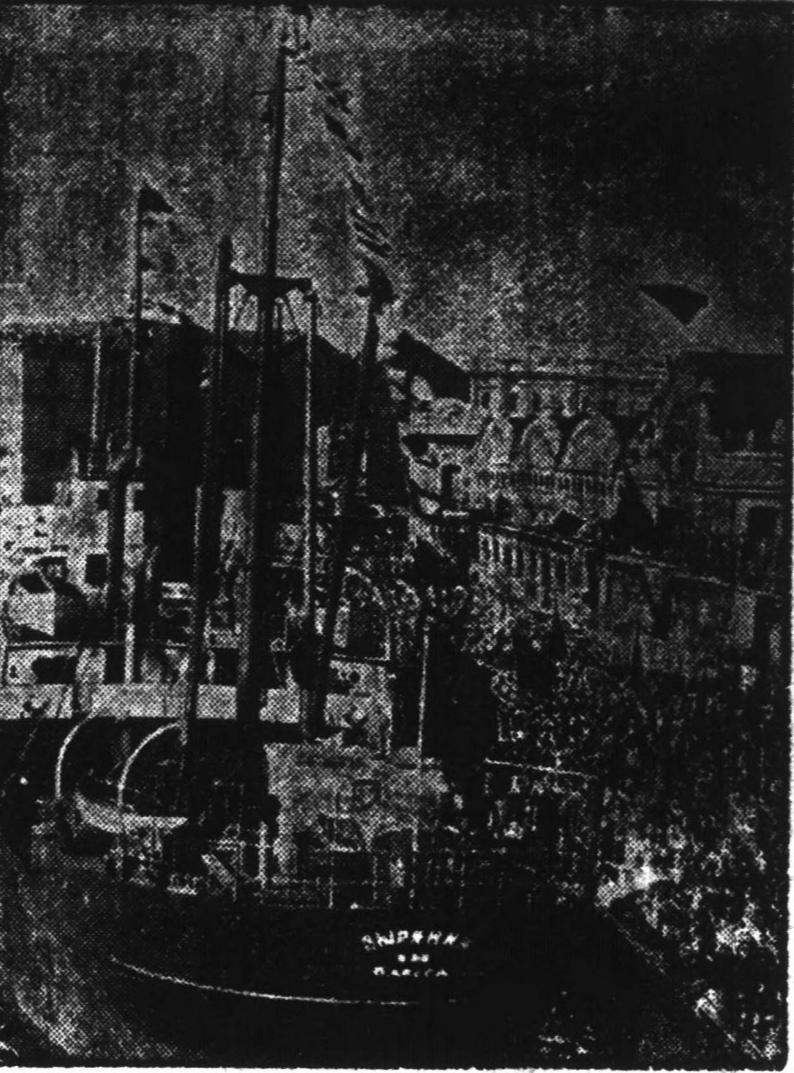
Attending the meeting were Miguel Garriga, international representative, International Restaurant and Hotel Alliance and Bartenders League; William Albertson, organizer, Hotel and Restaurant Workers Union; Charles Hendley, president, American Federation of Teachers of Greater New York; Charles Vigorito, president of Central Trades and Labor Council of Patterson, N. J.

Calif. Congressman Jailed As Fugitive From Justice

RICHMOND, Va.—Jailed here were Congressman John W. Hoeppel of California and his son, both charged with being fugitives from justice after conviction of selling an appointment to West Point Military Academy. They had failed to show up to serve their sentences.

Hoeppel tried for re-nomination on the Democratic ticket in the August primaries, but was easily beaten by Jerry Voorhis.

LADEN WITH FOOD FOR SPAIN



LADED WITH food supplies donated by workers of the Soviet Union, the steamer Ziryanian arrives at Barcelona, Spain, where its crew is cheered with enthusiasm.

When the Ziryanian arrived in port, its captain invited Italian, German and British naval officers aboard to inspect its cargo, to show that the Soviet Union had been strictly adhering to the non-intervention pact, which the Soviet Union later repudiated.

Writers' Congress Will Organize Influential Group

SAN FRANCISCO—The largest and most influential gathering of writers ever to meet on the West Coast was scheduled to open here with a public mass meeting Friday night, Nov. 18th, Scottish Rite Auditorium, to be followed by two days of meetings from which a program and organization will emerge.

The congress is expected to clarify many of the economic artistic and political problems which confront the writer and to establish a common understanding and means to act collectively in the future.

Closer to Labor

It is expected also to establish a closer relationship between the writer and the growing anti-fascist movement, and to bring the writers close to organized labor and other forces working progressively in the west today.

Aside from the meetings closed to all except writers and a limited number of early applicants, one of the main features is expected to be the Saturday night symposium at the California Club, 1750 Clay Street. There will also be the address of writers' meetings on Saturday and Sunday, November 14th and 15th.

Public Symposium

The symposium will be entitled "A Federation of Arts and Professions." Speakers will be Benjamin Buffano, sculptor; Grace Clements, representative of the Western Branch of the National Artists' Congress, and Ella Winter, one of the editors of the Pacific Weekly.

In addition, collective papers will be presented by representatives of the Dance Council, New Theatre League Council and the Federal Theatre Projects, followed by general discussion.

Entertainment following the symposium will include a performance of "Waterfront, 1934," by Carol Beals Dancers, the presentation of an act of the forthcoming satirical opera by Ernest Bacon, motion pictures, and a dramatic sketch by an East Bay group. Dancing until 1 a.m. will complete the program.

Tickets on Sale

The Saturday night program will begin at 8 p.m. Preceding it will be a buffet dinner from 6:30 p.m. for which tickets are being sold only in advance. Admission to the program starting at 8 p.m. is 50 cents.

Heading the list of sponsors for the congress is the name of the late Lincoln Steffens.

At the opening symposium Friday night some of the leading figures of the congress are scheduled to speak, including Upton Sinclair, Sara Bard Field, Humphrey Cobb, Col. Charles Erskine Scott Wood, Haakon Chevalier, Ella Winter, Carey McWilliams, Alexander Kaun, Harold Chapman Brown and Spokesmen for the Screen Actors, Screen Writers and Newspaper guilds.

Labor To Defend Compensation

LOS ANGELES—Word was received here by the Central Labor Council that Labor Commissioner Son had attacked certain sections of the Workmen's Compensation Law, claiming them to be unconstitutional.

It was also stated that Son has in several different cases acted against the interests of workers and in favor of the insurance companies.

Pointing out that the constitutionality of legislative enactments is a matter to be determined by the courts, Secretary Buzzell stated that a committee would be selected to call on Son to investigate these charges.

He said that if they were found to be correct, action would then be taken against him by organized labor.

St. Louis Writers Strike; 12 Arrested

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Writers on the W.P.A. project here learned what it means to strike and picket, and get arrested for union activities.

A strike of 21 writers on the project was called Oct. 27th. After repeated efforts of the St. Louis Writers' Union to secure the reinstatement of Wayne Barker, assistant state supervisor in charge of various sections of the editorial work on the "American Guide Book," his efficiency was questioned by no one until he became active in the Writers' Union. Then he was fired for "lack of co-operation." He was given no notice and the action voided a two weeks' vacation which he had coming.

Twelve of the pickets were arrested the day the strike started. They included Jack Conroy, noted author of "The Disinherited," and John Balch, former editor of "The Anvil."

SEEING RED

BY MICHAEL QUIN

PULL YOUR HATS down over your ears and hang onto your seats. We're coming to a seventy-five stanza poem. If I inject it into you all at once, you'd probably crumple under the weight of it. So we'll take it in easy instalments. Here's the first:

THE RUBAIYAT OF FUTURE STRUGGLE

(Apologies to Edward Fitzgerald and Omar Khayyam.)

1

Awake! for crisis in the marts of trade Has loosed war's thundering cavalcade; And o'er the paving of the cities march New regiments in ominous parade.

2

Watching the men in uniform go by, I seem to hear the dead of Verdun cry: "Move over, fellows; make a bit more room. Another million men are going to die."

3

A mother, watching, asks: "What is it worth? The love—the pain—anxiety of birth? A little while—then war—and then we lay Their broken bodies in the silent earth."

4

Loud drums reviving old barbaric creeds, Youth panicked into wild and bloody deeds. The canons cease. The smoke is cleared away. The banker profits and the vulture feeds.

5

Monarchs are gone. Their tyranny is dead. Financial Kings are ruling now instead. And still the armies march, the canons roar; And still war's bloody river's flowing red.

6

We murdered twenty million men, but still The Lords of Greed are crying: "Kill! Kill! Kill!" This morning they give uniforms to wear. Tomorrow there will be new graves to fill.

7

"Come, fill the graves, while dividends increase! Die bravely. When the noble battles cease, Beneath a torn and devastated world, Your bones will rot in glory—and in peace!"

8

And look—a thousand men with legless knees! New empty sleeves go flapping in the breeze; Blind eyeless sockets; crazed and shell-shocked brains; Ten million children blighted with disease.

9

Christ no! Let's turn away and leave the lot Of Morgan, Ford and Vanderbilt forgot. Let millionaires decry our insurrection; Let Hearst shout "Bolshevism!"—he'd him not.

10

Join neighbor, friend and fellow working man In strong United Front while yet we can. If still we're forced to take the sword in hand, Then let us fight to build our own new plan.

11

Forming our Soviets beneath the bough, With unity of sledge and pen and plow; Together building Communism— And Communism's common sense now.

(Continued Next Issue)

DIARY OF A MARITIME STRIKER ON THE PICKET LINE

By a Maritime Striker

Now that we are entering into the second week of the strike, one is forced to ask the ship owners where all their "loyal employees," whom they have raved so much about, are.

Several mates, chief engineers and skippers of our acquaintance may be found down on the picket lines, along side the mess boys and swipers. Among those present are the mate from the President Hoover, the skipper from the Chiriqui and the chief engineer from the SS Mana.

Now is the time when we really benefit by the Maritime Federation. It would be mighty hard to have convinced the men that a strike can pay unless they were not certain of the 35,000 men behind them.

Whether or not our old friend "Tear Gas" Plant is interested in the way things are moving down at the relief kitchen, we can't say. One thing is certain, should any of them see the remarkable way in which more than four thousand strikers are being served their meals, we feel certain that they would soon give up their hopes of splitting our ranks.

From the spotlessly new linoleum on the deck to the ranges, new tables and silverware, everything is spick and span. No complaints about the chow have our ears so far. The general attitude is the M.C. and S. are doing a good job, and they have our thanks and appreciation.

We expect to see a lot less ill will and misunderstanding among the various groups when this strike is over. Picket lines have a way of making all workers equal, you know.

Then, too, it's a lot better to sail with a mate or a steward whom you have known on the picket line than one whom you know to be a fink.

BLAST FALSE STORIES ON FRENCH COMMUNIST PARTY'S AIMS IN POPULAR FRONT

C. P. Champions Original People's Front Program to Preserve Unity Against Fascist Forces in France

PARIS—False stories of foreign press agencies about "Communist attacks against the French Popular Front" were blasted here by an outline of the aims of the Communist Party.

By adhering to and championing the original People's Front program, the Communist Party of France is doing its utmost to preserve the anti-Fascist unity of the Socialists, Communists and Radical Socialists.

In repeated declarations, statements and appeals to the Socialist Party, the Communist Party pursued the following course:

1. It fought, and now fights harder, to preserve the wage-increase victories won in the Matignon agreement after the great strikes of last summer, and to prevent sabotage by the employers of social legislation. Because of rising living costs brought on by Socialist Premier Blum's agreement to devaluation, the C. P. demands increased relief payments.

Blum has seen fit to wink at violations of the Matignon agreement and social legislation. Therefore, Communist attack against such policy can only be called a means of arousing the masses to strengthen the People's unity against the rich families and their assault on the hard-won economic victories of the people.

C. P. Resists Inflation

2. While Blum capitulated to the 200 rich families by devaluing the franc, the Communist Party valiantly resisted this inflation measure.

"The rich do not want to pay, and unfortunately there is a beginning of retreat before them," declared Maurice Thorez, Secretary of the C. P. of France, directing his remarks to Blum.

Despite its adamant position against devaluation, the Communist deputies voted to retain the Blum government in office.

"Non-Intervention"

3. No more dangerous and harmful step, not only to the French workers, but to world peace and to the interest of the anti-Fascist struggle everywhere, was taken than in Blum's initiation of the so-called "non-intervention agreement" on the Spanish civil war.

That the Communist Party of France is working and was the first to begin the struggle to end this aid to Spanish Fascism was never in question. The Fascists, however, are doing all they can to work through the Right Wing of the Socialists to prevent Blum from changing his position on "non-intervention," or more exactly, his position of refusing to grant the lawful, democratic government of Spain its unquestioned right to purchase arms to defend itself.

The Communist attack on Blum's objective aid to Spanish Fascism is a means of strengthening the People's Front. The majority of the followers of the Radical-Socialist, Socialist and Communist Parties stand for aid to Spain to defeat Spanish Fascism in order to destroy the plans of the French Fascists and to preserve world peace.

To Smash Fascists

4. The Communist Party has been unceasing in its campaign to smash the Fascist organizations. At the present moment it demands more positive action of Blum.

Even briefest consideration presents this for what it actually is: a strong fight to destroy the bitterest enemies of the People's Front, and to end the prostration of Blum actually, not merely formally, to destroy the Fascist League of de la Roche and the Hitlerite Doriot. French Fascism is acting more and more as an appendage of the German Nazis.

The Communist Party of France directs its criticism of Blum, and is arousing the masses behind the People's Front parties, to protect their gains and to advance further.

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BRITISH LABOR PARTY STAND ON SPAIN

QUESTION: What is the position of the British Labor Party toward the so-called "non-intervention" policy in Spain?

ANSWER: A great deal of responsibility for the "non-intervention in Spain" fraud lies on the shoulders of the reactionary leaders of the British Labor Party and British Trades Union Congress, in particular, Sir Walter Citrine and Ernest Bevin.

At the outbreak of the Fascist uprising in Spain, the British National Government was able, with Labor Party backing, to add its voice to the disastrous proposal of Leon Blum, French Premier, for "non-intervention."

As was predicted by the Communist Parties of France and Great Britain, this was transformed into a blockade of the legitimate people's government of Spain at the very time that the Fascists were openly receiving munitions and arms from Italy and Germany through Portugal.

The Communist Party of Great Britain waged a tremendous struggle to force the British Labor Party leaders to turn against the fake "non-intervention," but the bureaucratic control exerted by the reactionary leaders enabled them to pass a resolution at the Edinburgh Conference supporting non-intervention.

After the Soviet Government note to the London Non-Intervention Committee denouncing Fascist aid to the Fascist insurgents under the cloak of the pact, mass pressure on the British Labor Party leadership became so intense they were forced at least to request the British Government for reconsideration of the question.

The "Daily Herald," reactionary Labor Party organ, did not dare take its usual anti-Soviet stand on the non-intervention question, but had to express its "gratification" at the note, and express the hope the British Government has merely concentrated its attacks on the Soviet Union's stand, shielding the Fascists all the while.

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MACHINE GUNNER FOR DEMOCRACY



MEMBERS OF the Spanish workers' militia, manning machines behind sandbags outside Madrid, to stem the Fascist forces.

JACQUEMETTE IS DEAD AFTER 30 YEARS WORK FOR THE BELGIAN WORKING-CLASS

(Statement of the Executive Committee of the Communist International.)

MOSCOW—It is with the deepest sorrow that the Executive Committee of the Communist International announces the sudden death of the Secretary of the Communist Party of Belgium, Joseph Jacquemotte, a splendid fighter in the workers' cause and a candidate for the Executive Committee of the Communist International.

Jacquemotte entered the working-class movement in 1906, and from then onwards he was uninterruptedly active in that cause. He quickly rose to a leading position in the Belgian trade union movement.

In 1910 he took over the leadership of the Brussels Union of Socialist Employees. He was imprisoned on several occasions for the organization of strikes. In 1914 he was elected to the Bureau of the Brussels Trades Council and the Bureau of the Trade Union Commission (trade union central body of Belgium).

Fought Reformism

He took up a strong position as a relentless fighter against the reformist theory and practice of class collaboration during the years of the war, and he was later at the head of the revolutionary opposition within the Belgian reformist trade unions and led a number of strikes.

Jacquemotte belonged to the Belgian Labor Party as a member of the bureau of its General Council of the Left revolutionary wing which was centered around the newspaper with the hope that the government be rid of insincere administration into the hands of the masses who will direct the destiny of the country and not by a handful of privileged rich."

He then left the Labor Party and together with other revolutionary groups, he founded the Communist Party of Belgium.

Since that time Jacquemotte has been one of the most notable leaders of the Belgian Communist movement, and of late years was also its General Secretary. In the ranks of the Party he always fought for the line of the Comintern, against opportunism and counter-revolutionary Trotskyism.

Elected to Parliament

In 1925, Jacquemotte was elected as the first Communist member of the Belgian Parliament, of which he was re-elected a member several times and to which he belonged up to his death. He was elected as a candidate for the Executive Committee of the Comintern at the Se-

enth World Congress.

There is no doubt that Jacquemotte deserves the greatest credit for his work in the mighty united front movement of the proletariat and in the anti-Fascist People's Front, which is rallying ever broader masses of the people in Belgium today, and is gaining important victories.

By the death of Jacquemotte the Communist Movement has lost one of its most respected officials, one of the most excellent leaders of the Belgian working class, a selfless fighter for the proletarian revolution and the cause of Lenin and Stalin.

The Workers' Press Conference, which is sponsoring the drive, holds meetings at Cultural Center, 230 South Spring Street, every Monday evening at eight o'clock. Representatives from all mass organizations and all sections of the Communist Party are expected to attend.

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WALL STREET RULE IN CUBA HIT BY EXILE

Workers, Students Are Murdered By Hundreds

LOS ANGELES—"I escaped from the Fascists of Cuba, the rule of Wall Street," were the opening words of Clixto Guiteras, attractive young exile from Cuba, speaking recently in Waller Auditorium before some 150 people.

"It is death for anyone who refuses to knuckle down to the government," she continued. "Hundreds of workers and students are killed monthly."

"In Cuba there is the Fascist rule of force and violence, commanded by the henchman of the American sugar interests, Butcher Batista."

Brother Was Murdered

Miss Guiteras, former Havana high school teacher, escaped through the aid of friends.

Her brother, Antiono Guiteras, former leader of the "Young Cuba" movement and Secretary of State under San Martin, was killed when Batista came to power in 1934.

Miss Guiteras said the one

and all high schools in Cuba have been closed since 1930 and that only grade schools under military jurisdiction remain.

She summed up by saying: "I bring this message to the people of the United States so that they may understand the conditions of Cuba and join in the movement to liberate Cuba."

Recall Caffery

Dr. Fabian Garcia proposed a resolution calling for investigation and recall of the American Ambassador to Cuba, Jefferson Caffery. This was unanimously adopted by the meeting.

Byron Scott, Congressman from Long Beach, pledged to propose

in Congress a resolution for investigation of activities of Wells, under-secretary of state in charge of Latin-American affairs, and Ambassador Caffery, as to their suppression of facts concerning the reign of terror in Cuba.

The meeting was sponsored by the Provisional Committee for Cuba, affiliated to the American League Against War and Fascism.

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J. C. COULTER IN SLANDERS ON STRIKERS

Claims That Salinas Workers Deserted Strike

By a Worker Correspondent

LONG BEACH—In true reactionary style, Vice-president J. C. Coulter of the State Federation of Labor broadcasted propaganda to organized labor here to the effect that the Salinas strikers sabotaged their own strike.

Incidentally Coulter is drumming up a boom for himself to be the next president of the State Federation.

Coulter claimed before labor here that the Salinas strike was instigated by radicals because the only issue concerned was that of preferential hiring. Coulter claimed that wages and working conditions were satisfactory.

Coulter also charged that when he was at the meeting in Salinas Nov. he found at least one-third of the strikers had deserted the strike.

He did not say what was actually true, that these workers who faced tear gas and clubs fought courageously throughout the strike and were sold out by their own union heads.

He said that there was little or nothing that they could do except beg the shipper-growers to take back what strikers they could use. After much trouble and delay he at last got the growers to promise they would rehire some of the workers.

Coulter's whole record in the labor movement is filled with such incidents as this. He often held up Paul Sharrenberg as his "good friend" and an example of real labor leadership.

Maritime Strikers Cheer John Davis Of Negro Congress

SAN FRANCISCO—Following a spirited address by John P. Davis, executive secretary of the National Negro Congress, the Pacific Coast Maritime strike committee sent telegrams to Governor Bibb Graves of Alabama and to Adolf Hitler, Nazi dictator, demanding respectively the unconditional release of the nine Scottsboro boys and of Lawrence Simpson, imprisoned American seaman.

Davis' speech to the strike committee followed an earlier address at a strike mass meeting in which his interpretation of the Negroes' role in industry was received amid cheers of the striking maritime workers.

Race Prejudice

In both addresses Davis called attention to the use of race prejudice by employers as a device for maintaining the open shop. He showed that both the Negroes and other groups of workers had been set against one another so that they could present no united struggle for higher wages and better working conditions and were accordingly kept at the employers' mercy.

This condition, Davis pointed out, is rapidly breaking down, for the Negro people are refusing to be used longer as tools against their brothers of other nationalities.

Anti-Picket Law in Long Beach is Beaten by I. L. A.

By a Worker Correspondent

LONG BEACH.—The Long Beach anti-picketing ordinance was quietly set aside for the maritime strike.

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The story is short and to the point.

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Remove This Law!

The truck drivers tried to picket with 20 men and the pickets went to jail. If the good chief had known that 10,000 more men were available, the 20 would not have gone to jail. Los Angeles county unions could easily supply 10,000 pickets any day if they organized to do so.

A defense committee for Southern California could easily make any anti-picketing ordinance inoperative by having pickets available. The chief of police was shrewd to let the matter pass. That law must be taken off the books through the political solidarity of labor, because it remains a weapon for the police to use at a strategic time or to harass the smaller unions.

Unemployed Beats Davis Blockade In L.A. Court

LOS ANGELES—Nov. 8. As the first unemployed transient to take a defiant stand against Chief "Peanut Hitler" Davis' so-called bum blockade, Jack Erdman, member of the Electrical Workers' Union, won an acquittal from a jury here November 6, after he had been picked up by police on the highway near Hemet, Calif., and jailed on charges of riding a train without paying his fare.

Although nominally represented by William J. Hamilton, public defender, Erdman conducted his own case. Early in the trial, during the cross examination of one of the arresting police, he gained the good will of the jury when he threw the court room into an uproar of laughter by cleverly trapping the witness into admitting he had lied in earlier testimony.

Aid of Negro Congress

"It is significant," said Davis, "that the National Negro Congress has gone on record as endorsing the struggle of the maritime workers for an American standard of living."

Davis was presented to the mass meeting in San Francisco by Ishmael P. Flory, executive secretary of the East Bay Council, who arranged the meetings and accompanied Davis on his speaking tour of the bay cities.

Union Recreation Center Sports

By a Worker Correspondent

SAN FRANCISCO—Union Recreation Center baseball teams No. 1, Class A, trounced the highly rated St. James (C.Y.O.) Catholic Youth Organization 5-3 last Sunday, Nov. 8th, at Funston Park. Murnane, the U.R.C. pitcher, held them down to six hits and his teammate slugger did the rest.

O'Donnell, U.R.C. catcher, made three hits and two runs for four times at bat. This victory more or less cinches the class "A" league pennant. The next toughest team to play is the Royce Sport Club and the Muny R.R. Club. The chances are that the U.R.C. team will take them down the line.

Pickets Play

Doing picket duty doesn't seem to bother the boys' playing, but on the contrary they have more time to practice. Some of them go to play right from picket duty, some go on picket duty from the game and others have to ask leave of absence from picket line to play. The attendance has noticeably increased since the strike started.

In the next game the U.R.C. will play the Spanish Club and if this Spanish team is near as tough as their national brothers who are defending Spain from the Fascists, then the U.R.C. team had better look out. The time is set for 12 o'clock sharp at

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Salinas Unionists Begin Overriding Doss and Shevlin

By a Worker Correspondent

SALINAS—The spirit of Paul Scharrenberg will never be dead in California as long as such corrupt officials as A. S. Doss, Mickey Shevlin and their gang have influence.

Their actions throughout the strike are a whole story in themselves, but meanwhile their present line needs a little attention. At a recent meeting of the Salinas local two resolutions came up for action.

Approve C.I.O. The first called for approving the Committee for Industrial Organization. It passed, but Doss and Shevlin bitterly fought it, using the "fear" argument that the A.F.L. would fail if it was passed.

Reject Phoney As Delegate Another of their stripe, Clarence Foster, said it would cause the A.F.L. to suspend strike benefits. The other resolution asked the A.F.L. convention to grower-shippers Association unfair. Doss and Shevlin opposed this also, but it passed.

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In Watsonville the workers still refuse to go back officially.

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Instead the vote was announced all bunched together and early next morning some Salinas workers had managed to get back on the job.

Started Job Action

On one shed the union men drove the rats off and are still holding the shed. The Salinas local refused to reconsider its action. Even though the strike was shamefully sold out, the only course now is for Watsonville workers to go back in any manner possible and begin getting the union back into position by job action.

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What Is to Be Done?

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SALINAS TASK IS TO REBUILD UNION ON JOB

Sellout Was Gradual With Aid of State Labor Officials

By a Worker Correspondent

SALINAS—After two months of bitter struggle, the Fruit and Vegetable Workers' strike is over. It was sold out, not all at once, but by betrayals throughout the whole course of the strike.

A lot has already been told about the actions of Mike Shevlin, president, and A. S. Doss, secretary, of the Salinas local. But they couldn't have broken the strike without the assistance of bigger reactionaries.

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He began shortly afterwards to tell wild-eyed stories of "Reds" and "agitators" seeking to destroy the union. When some of the workers believed this he began to set up "Red Squads" and his body guard was McCardin, a known stoolie.

Aram continually used the name of the A.F.L. to put himself in a powerful position with the confused members. With full help from the officials Aram and E. O. Vandeleur tried several times to get the strike called off on sellout terms, but failed.

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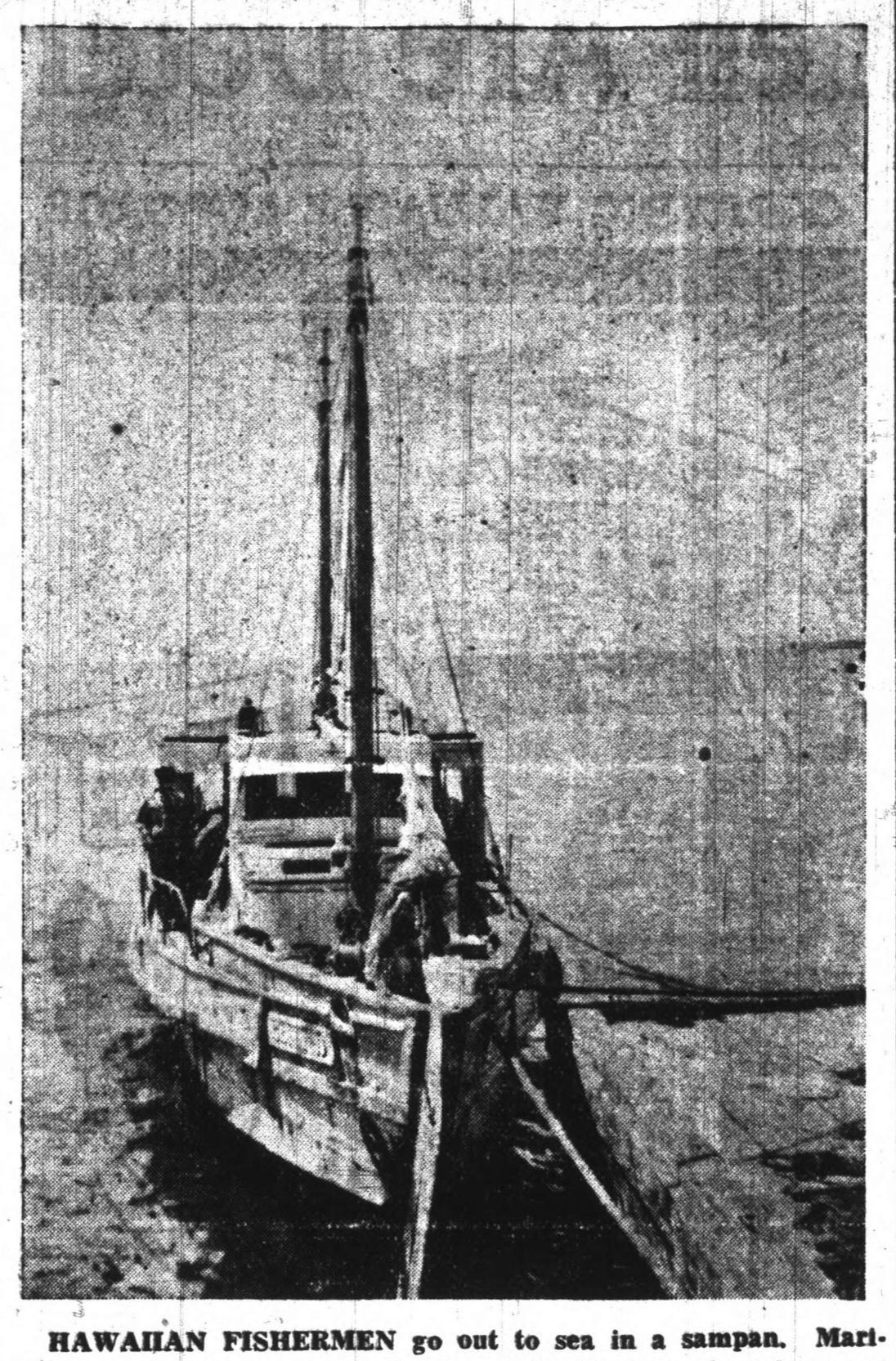
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THEY'LL FOLLOW LONGSHOREMEN



Imperial Valley Grower-Shippers Form New Vigilante Gang Against Threat of Organization

By a Worker Correspondent

EL CENTRO—The boys in the Imperial Valley are at it again. According to the Los Angeles Times: "Several hundred men representing a cross-section of Imperial Valley business, professional and agricultural interests" (vigilantes to you, in case you didn't recognize the old respectable bluff), are pledged to combat any introduction of subversive elements" in El Centro.

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According to the Times report the Associated Farmers Sponsored the meeting in the Wilson School at El Centro at which this new vigilante gang got underway, and after the usual speeches on conditions in the agriculture areas and the usual nonsense about "Communist agitators" most of the people present signed up for what the Times called "the farmers' organization."

East Coast Seamen Are Determined Despite Officials' Thugs

Grange Under Fire For Anti-Union Methods

BIGGEST LINERS ARE AMONG THOSE SEAMEN'S DEFENSE COMMITTEE WAS ABLE TO STRIKE IN SOLIDARITY

NEW YORK—Among the ships the East Coast Seamen's Defense Committee was able to tie up in solidarity with the West Coast were: Manhattan, United States Lines, 400 men; Virginia, Panama Pacific Line, 379; Madison, Eastern Steamship Line, 200; Robert E. Lee, Eastern Steamship Line, 200; Larry Doheny, Sinclair, tanker, 50; Santa Elena, Grace Line, 190; Losmar, Calmar Line, 42; E. C. Bedford, Standard Oil Company of New Jersey 40; San Angelo, Shepard Line, 40; Jane Christensen, Arrow Line, 35; Cuiberon, American Republics Line, 39; and American Traveler, American Merchant Line, 40.

MOLDERS' AID PLEDGED TO MARINE LABOR

Local In Northwest Among Many To Promise Aid

SEATTLE, Wash.—Molders Union No. 338 was among the many locals to pledge its support to the maritime unions of the West Coast. It did so in the following words:

WHEREAS: The Shipowners Association of the West Coast is refusing to continue the 1934 contracts won by the Maritime Federation of the Pacific.

WHEREAS: The working conditions and wages won by the Maritime Federation in 1934 set an example for the entire organized labor movement of the Northwest and are no more than a decent American standard of living, and

WHEREAS: The Shipowners Association and its various aides, such as the Law and Order League and vigilante groups, are hiring thugs and gunmen and stocking arsenals for the purpose of using force and violence against the maritime workers and introducing civil war, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Iron Molders Union, No. 338, pledges its support to the Maritime Federation of the Pacific and urges all other Unions and Central Councils of the Northwest to do likewise.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

PAUL HEINE, Rec. Sec.

L.A. Labor Council Aids Marine Labor

LOS ANGELES.—The Los Angeles Central Labor Council went on record here as standing in full support of the striking Maritime Unions when a resolution was unanimously carried that will set up a joint committee representing organized labor here to cooperate with the Strike Committee of the maritime unions.

The delegates of the Council also approved voluntary tax of 25 cents per month from each member of organized labor in Los Angeles County to go for the support of the strikers.

It is understood that the Central Labor Council of Orange County also concurred in these resolutions.

We Don't Patronize—In San Francisco

Benar's Cut Rate Drug Store, 807 Market. California Building Maintenance Co., 20 Ninth. Clinton Cafeterias. Co-Op Manufacturing Company.

Curtis Publishing Co., publishers of "Saturday Evening Post," "Ladies' Home Journal," "Country Gentleman."

Dons Dollar Sedan Service, 925 Larkin.

Drake Cleaners, 249 O'Farrell and 727 Van Ness.

Forde's Cornice Works, 269 Potrero.

Foster's Lunches and Bakeries.

Goldberg, Bowen & Co., Grocers, 242 Sutter.

Goldstone Bros., manufacturers overalls and workingmen's clothing.

Gordon's Sea Food Grotto, Ferry Building.

Independent Cleaning and Dyeing Works, 245 Van Ness So.

J. C. Hunkin's Grocery Stores.

Kroehler Furniture Manufacturing Company.

Pacific Label Company, 1150 Folsom.

Petri Wine Company, Battery and Vallejo.

Pioneer Motor Bearing Company, Eddy and Van Ness.

San Francisco Biscuit Co. (located in Seattle).

Shell Oil Company.

Van Emon, B. C., Elevators, Inc., 224 Fremont.

All Non-Union independent taxicabs.

Barber shops that do not display the shop card of the Journeymen Barbers' Union are unfair.

CARRYING VALUABLE LUGGAGE



MODESTO NINE WATCH STRIKE

Send "Good Luck" Message to Unions

(From "Voice of Labor," Honolulu)

Modesto Defense Committee

Nine members of Pacific Coast Maritime Unions are watching with rapt interest the present struggle in the marine industry up and down this Pacific Coast, the Gulf and the East. These brothers from their cells send fraternal wishes of good luck for a speedy and complete victory.

One year and a half ago they were active participants in the Tanker strike which the Standard Oil octopus fought most bitterly by every foul means for which this cold blooded corporation has become notorious throughout the world.

How Frameup Occurred

Through the use of stool pigeons and agents provocateurs planted within the Union ranks the Standard Oil determined to defeat the workers. The rats Hail Marchant and James Scudder sold themselves for a few pieces of silver to Standard Oil through a man named Arnold, chief of the Standard Oil detective service while at the same time they were taking money from their respective Unions.

Prior to and during the 1934

strike Marchant and Scudder had been doing undercover work for the Portland and San Francisco Police departments... They were the tools that engineered the plot to frame the most active and militant workers in the Tanker strike. These facts are matters of record.

Curran replied by stating "In-

asmuch as the whole union is striking every striker thus becomes a 'radical' according to Grange. We shall answer in only one way. When the Sailors Union of the Pacific expelled 7,000 men, the membership never recognized the expulsion. It is silly of the officials to talk of an expulsion when it can become one only when recognized by members. This they will never do," Curran said.

R.R. STRIKE IN 3D MONTH

SHREVEPORT, La.—The Louisiana and Arkansas R. R. strike has entered its third month, with four brotherhoods as militant as ever in the strike.

TO PUSH CLOSED SHOP IN FILMS

When the American Federation of Labor holds its national convention at Tampa Fla. November 16, the acting branch of the motion pictures will for the first time have direct representation.

Kenneth Thompson, secretary of the Screen Actor's Guild, left Los Angeles November 6, for New York to obtain credentials as a convention delegate from the Associated Actors and Artists of America.

The testimony introduced by

Curran and his Standard Oil side

kicks was too raw for the jury to swallow. The defendants were found guilty on the least serious of four counts, with a recommendation for leniency. Yet our fellow workers are still rotting their lives away in prison.

The Board of Terms of Paroles

have for the last fifteen months

sidestepped the issue. The broth

ers, therefore, are looking to

the Court of last appeal, that of

their fellow workers for hono

rable freedom and liberation.

Mass Pressure

The mass strength and pres

sure from 40,000 organized mar

itime workers can force this

Board to act immediately, if

each and every one will only

make known their demands.

WRITE LETTERS IMMEDI

ATELY TO THE BOARD OF

TERMS AND PAROLES, SAN

QUENTIN, CALIF.

The Board

will again pass the buck and

delay action unless you write

NOW.

The brothers out on strike and

on the picket lines should heed

the facts brought out in the

Modesto trial. Other Scudders

and Marchants have been plant

ed and are lurking within our

ranks waiting for a chance to do

their dirty work.

Help the Modesto boys to gain

their freedom. Support their

campaign for liberation financial

by sending contributions to F. M. Kelley, Secretary Treasurer of the Maritime Federation,

24 California Street, San Fran-

cisco.

For information and pamphlet write the Modesto Defense Committee, Room 506, 112

Market Street, San Francisco.

REFUSE TO PATRONIZE

ALL STANDARD OIL PROD

UCTS. PASS THE WORD ON

TO YOUR FRIENDS.

UNITY IS PARAMOUNT ISSUE FACING 56TH ANNUAL A. F. L. CONVENTION; KIDWELL THERE

He Stands Instructed As Delegate From California Federation To Fight For Reinstatement of C.I.O. Unions

The 56th annual convention of the American Federation of Labor opens in Tampa, Fla., on November 16th.

The convention will not be a dull one... It will face decisions of more far-reaching importance to the American working class than any previous annual A.F.L. convention.

Paramount among those decisions will be the question of A.F.L. unity. Delegates from over 25 state federations, from hundreds of labor councils and locals, go to the convention with instructions to fight for reinstatement of the 10 suspended C.I.O. unions.

Kidwell's Instructions

One such delegate is George Kidwell, who will be the lone representative of the California State Federation of Labor. The state federation's convention went on record for reinstatement of the C.I.O. unions.

The delegate from the California state federation stands instructed for the full program endorsed by the September state federation convention. Included in this is organization of the agricultural workers and the fight against vigilantism.

Kenneth Thomson, secretary of the Screen Actors' Guild, was elected as delegate to the Los Angeles Central Labor Council to the Tampa convention.

Representing approximately 100,000 men affiliated with the Council, Thomas at the same time is representative of the acting branch of organized labor in the motion picture industry. Thomson is a progressive.

John O'Connell, secretary of the San Francisco Central Labor Council, was elected as that body's delegate to Tampa. He is a reactionary, but the San Francisco Labor Council is also

representing at least 125,000 organized longshoremen.

Three weeks is a short time but it was long enough for Bill Craft to see the overwhelming opposition labor is faced with here. The concentrated wealth, the hostility to unionism; the blacklisting of men because they dare to advocate such a thing as a union; the network of company stool pigeons and labor spies—he has taken in the whole picture.

Yet, here in Hawaii, more than 200 miles from their mainland brothers, hundreds of Hawaiian stevedores have carried on in the face of bitter reaction and have agreed to meet with a C.I.O. committee, it still refused to consider reinstatement of the C.I.O. unions as a basis for peace.

Many of these men are known to be in possession of gun permits and they have been overheard discussing ways and means to file sights off their pistols and adjusting mechanisms which will permit hairtrigger firing.

In a parking lot nearby, where some of these men keep their cars, Navy uniforms were seen stowed away in car bearing the license number 4Y2405.

In this connection, Waterfront Employers' Association officials are known to have stated that on requests from individual ship owners, they will undertake to place caretakers aboard vessels and see that they are well guarded, perhaps by the United States Navy.

First signs of governmental interest was shown in the strike when licensed officers of strike-bound American-flag ships were warned that they risk having their licenses suspended if they leave their ships without their employers' permission.

Besides the fight for reinstatement of the C.I.O. unions, a fight is to be carried on by progressives for real organization of the mass production industries on an industrial union basis.

Although decided on by two previous A.F.L. conventions, the William Green machine took no steps to carry out the convention decisions.

The Labor Party will be made a vital issue at the convention. Many state bodies, locals, and central labor bodies are on record for the Labor Party.

Lusty Guild Baby In Cal. Capital.

SACRAMENTO — The latest

Newspaper Guild baby is the

provisional Sacramento Guild.

Sacramento newspapermen orga

nized it recently at a meeting

right in the State capitol.

Temporary officers are Kirt

McBride, chairman; Del Miller,

secretary-treasurer.

Thompson's journey following

shortly upon a secret trip to

Hollywood made by Browne a few weeks ago will result, Studio

union leaders in Hollywood be

lieve, in the formation by the

convention of a committee to

push the closed shop movement

in the film industry.

In New York, Thompson will

meet with officials of Equity

Assn. with which the Screen

Guild has a reciprocal member</p